Past Continuous Tense

Past Simple & Past Continuous Exercise

Directions: Complete the sentences using the Past Simple or Past Continuous form of the verbs in parentheses.

1. While I _____ (walk) to school, it _____ (start) to rain.
2. She _____ (watch) TV when her mother _____ (call) her.
3. They _____ (play) football when the referee _____ (blow) the whistle.
4. When I _____ (arrive) at the party, everyone _____ (dance).
5. We _____ (have) dinner when the phone _____ (ring).
6. He _____ (fall) asleep while he _____ (read) a book.
7. The teacher _____ (explain) the lesson when the fire alarm _____ (go) off.
8. While I _____ (wait) for the bus, I _____ (see) my old friend.
9. The children _____ (make) a snowman when it _____ (start) snowing heavily.
10. My dad _____ (fix) the car when my mom _____ (come) home.
11. When I _____ (wake up), the sun _____ (shine) brightly.
12. We _____ (drive) to the beach when we _____ (see) an accident.
13. She _____ (lose) her keys while she _____ (run) in the park.
14. I _____ (drop) my phone while I _____ (talk) to my friend.
15. They _____ (have) lunch when the waiter _____ (spill) water on the table.
16. The baby _____ (cry) when his father _____ (pick) him up.
17. While we _____ (clean) the house, my brother _____ (listen) to music.
18. He _____ (write) an email when his computer _____ (shut) down suddenly.
19. I _____ (see) a famous actor while I _____ (shop) in the mall.
20. While she _____ (paint) the wall, her cat _____ (jump) on the table.

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